



Scouts



6th Ramsgate
Royal Harbour Sea Scouts

BEAVERS

THE WELCOME PACK

Joining Information for
6th Ramsgate Sea Scout Group

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This welcome pack is designed to give you all the necessary information to get your child started in the Beaver Colony. It includes:

- Information about Beaver Scouting and our Colony
- The Beaver Scout Promise and motto
- Forms to be printed, completed and returned

More information about the Group and our history can be found online at
www.6thramsgateseascouts.org.uk

If you have further questions which are not answered here, or online, then please do not hesitate to contact the Beaver Scout Leaders as follows:

Beavers@6thramsgateseascouts.org.uk

Beavers

The aim of the Scout Association is to encourage the physical, mental and spiritual development of young people so they may take a constructive place in society. We offer an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training based upon a Beaver Scout Law and Promise. All activities are guided by adult leadership.

There are a number of variations of the Beaver Scout Promise to reflect the range of faiths, beliefs and attitudes, and nationalities, in the UK within Scouting.



For those for whom promising to do their “duty to God” is not appropriate, there are alternatives available. Please mention this to a Leader before Investiture.



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Beaver Scouts are boys and girls aged between 6 and 8 years old. The Colony is run by the Beaver Scout Leader and usually at least one Assistant Leader plus Section Assistants and where available a Young Leader. **All are volunteers** who give their time for free and receive special training for their role. They are responsible for planning and running a programme of activities.

Beaver meetings are held on **Thursday** evenings during term-time between **17:15 and 18:30pm**

Beavers enjoy a great deal of fun and adventure which will lead to the award of badges to wear on their uniform. Participation, rather than meeting set standards, is the key approach, and there are a range of awards that Beaver Scouts can gain to recognise their achievements.

Our Beaver Colony takes part in a sleepover most years. This will either be with the District which involves other Beaver Colonies, or as a Group. During these camps, children will have the opportunity to take part in a range of activities which will go towards their Badge work. We often go on hikes around the local area.

Thanet District Scouts often organise events which are open to all Beavers in the District – they are many and varied, but include New Year's Party; the Swimming Gala; Sports Day. We try to take part in as many as is possible.

There are two Church Parades which we expect all Beavers to attend. One is St George's Day, organised by the District and takes place in April at the Winter Gardens, Margate. The other is Remembrance Day during November which takes place in St George's Church, Ramsgate.

Uniform

The only item of Beavers uniform which needs to be purchased is the Beaver Sweatshirt. Uniform is available from the Scout Shop online. We also have a Swap Shop which may have some items that will fit. Please speak to a Leader if you would like to have a look at what is in stock. We recommend that you obtain a larger size sweatshirt than you normally would to allow it to fit throughout your child's career in Beavers.

Our Group necker, which is white, and the group t-shirt should be purchased from the Leadership Team at the time of investiture and is priced £10, this is a one off payment. Your Beaver will need this on the night they are invested. The badges and woggle that your Beaver will need are supplied at this time too. If your Beaver loses a badge or woggle, we will make a charge to cover the cost of a replacement.

Full uniform (i.e. for Church Parades or District events) consists of the official sweatshirt, black school skirt or trousers and black formal shoes. For normal Colony meetings we are happy for the formal bottoms and shoes to be replaced by a more informal pair of dark coloured track suit bottoms and black / dark trainers. We do recommend that the children wear suitable shoes for running around as they will be playing games.



Membership Cost

Our Group is completely volunteer run and none of our Leaders or Executive Members are paid for their role. However, running a Sea Scout Group is very expensive and, although we do everything in our power to keep costs as low as possible, we do have relatively high running costs compared to land-based Scout groups because of our boats. 'Subs' include the following components;

- Scout HQ Membership Fee (covering insurance, resources and information etc.);
- Section/Group running costs; Books, certificates and badges;
- Leader training and specialist skills; and
- a contribution to our running costs/rent.

For convenience subs are paid on a monthly basis. The monthly membership fee is currently **£15**. This should be paid by a monthly standing order directly from your bank account on a date of your choice. This ensures that the Young Person is recorded as a member of the Scout Association and that insurance cover is valid. A standing order form is included with this pack and is *our preferred method of payment*. Alternative methods of payment (such as cash or cheque) should be discussed with your Section Leader and agreed in advance. We also encourage you to complete a Gift Aid Form, however you choose to pay your subs, as it enables us to claim extra money from the government at NO additional cost to you.

If subs are not received within four weeks of becoming due, the Executive Committee reserve the right to refuse admission of any Young Person until subs are paid. Subs are reviewed annually; changes will be given in writing to parents/carers at least two calendar months before the revised subs are due.

On occasion, the Group may be able to offer financial assistance. The Group will consider such circumstances on a case by case basis and discussions will always be in confidence.

Please print and complete the following forms and return them to a Leader.

- Personal/Medical Details Form
- Consent Forms
- Standing Order / Gift Aid Form

You and your Beaver may also be asked to complete a Code of Conduct form.



Beaver's name _____

Data Protection

I accept that the Scout Group will be keeping information about my son's/daughter's membership of the Scout Movement for Scouting purposes.

I give explicit consent to the holding of information of my son's/daughter's health; disabilities; religion/faith; race/ethnic origin again for Scouting purposes.

I give/do not give consent to the disclosure of any of information held to third parties associated with the Scout Movement in order that they may offer products and services which may be of interest.

Please note this information will be held on computer solely for the Group's use

Photograph and Media Consent

I do/do not give permission as the parent or guardian of the named person above for their likeness to be used for the purposes of the Group's internal and external publications, newsletters, presentations, and local/national newspaper articles. No names will be used to identify your child

I understand that I may retract my permission at any time by contacting the Beaver Scout Leader in writing.

Website Consent

Due to the public nature of an internet site, we would like your permission to be able to include your child's photo on the site. No names will be used to identify your child.

I give permission for my child to be included on the 6th Ramsgate Royal Harbour Sea Scout Group website

Permission

In the event of illness or accident requiring emergency hospital treatment, I authorise the Leaders to sign on my behalf any written form of consent required by the hospital authorities, if the delay required to obtain my own signature is considered inadvisable by the medical practitioner concerned.

Note: The medical profession takes the view that the patient's consent to medical treatment cannot be delegated. Thus medical consent forms have no legal status and a doctor/nurse insisting on the consent of the patient to a particular treatment has the right to do so.

Date

**Signed
Name**



Personal/Medical Details Form

DETAILS OF BEAVER

Name	Date of Birth
Address	
Postcode	Phone No
Email	

EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS

Name	Relationship to YP
Phone No	Mobile No

HEALTH DETAILS OF BEAVER

Family Doctor's Name	Phone No
Address	

Is s/he known to suffer from any of the following?

Hayfever	YES / NO	Epilepsy	YES / NO
Giddy spells	YES / NO	Asthma	YES / NO
Diabetes	YES / NO		
Angina (or other heart condition)	YES / NO		

Any other disability or known allergy e.g. penicillin
(if yes please give details) YES / NO

Does s/he take any form of medication? YES / NO
(If yes please give details below)

Have you received a tetanus injection? YES / NO
(If yes give date injection given below)

I will inform the Leaders in charge if s/he is in contact with any infectious disease within 3 weeks of any event.



Standing Order Form

TO THE MANAGER:

Bank _____
 Full Address _____

Bank Sort Code

Account Number

ACCOUNT INFORMATION:

Name of Account _____
 Account Number _____
 Your address _____
 Postcode _____

PLEASE PAY TO:

Bank Address LLOYDS TSB, QUEEN STREET, RAMSGATE

Bank Sort Code

Account Number

Account Name SIXTH RAMSGATE SEA SCOUT GROUP

The Sum *Please enter the amount in multiples of 15 (fifteen) depending on the number of children you have in the Group.*

Reference _____ (Young Persons Initial & Surname)

The first payment to be made on the _____ of _____ 20__ and thereafter on
DD MONTH YY
 the _____ day of every month, until you receive further notice from me in writing.

Please submit this form to your bank or use the details contained to create the Standing Order via online banking



Gift Aid Declaration

How does it work?

- Donating through Gift Aid means our charity can claim an extra 25p for every £1 you give. It will not cost you any extra.
- Your donations will qualify as long as they're not more than 4 times what you have paid in tax in the current tax year (6 April to 5 April).
- You can make a Gift Aid declaration for our charity to claim by ticking the Gift Aid in OSM or by completing this form and handing it to your group leader or forwarding a copy to treasurer@6thramsgateseascouts.org.uk
- You must tell us if you change name or address, or you stop paying enough tax. Higher rate tax payers may claim additional tax relive via their self assessment tax return or by asking HMRC to amend your tax code.

Parent/Guardian details:

Title	Forename(s)	Surname
Home address		
Postcode:		

I would like **6th Ramsgate Harbour Sea Scout Group** to treat my membership subscription as a Gift Aid donation from this date forward and for the previous six financial periods (if applicable).

Date	Signature
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